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Kentucky ABC Conducts Successful Targeted Enforcement Detail

40 citations are given over weekend

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 20, 2011) – Continuing their efforts to restrict youth access to alcohol and keep communities safe, enforcement officials from Kentucky's Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) conducted a Targeted Enforcement Detail (TED) in areas adjacent to the campus of University of Kentucky on Saturday, Sept. 17, during the University of Kentucky vs. University of Louisville football game.

"As a participant in the enforcement detail on Saturday, I can say firsthand that the effort and dedication of the men and women of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Enforcement Division is to be commended," said Mike Razor, director of the Division of Enforcement. "Restricting youth access to alcohol is one of the most important things we can do, not only as an agency but also as a community.

"ABC investigators know how important it is to make sure the youth of the Commonwealth don't have access to alcohol. They go to great lengths to enforce these laws with fairness and professionalism," Razor said.

The TED resulted in 40 citations:

- Thirty-four citations for minors in possession of alcoholic beverages
- One arrest for alcohol intoxication
- One disorderly conduct
- One resisting arrest
- One assisting minor in purchasing alcoholic beverages
- One misrepresenting one's own age in purchasing alcoholic beverages

- One criminal possession of a forged instrument second degree.

In general, TEDs focus on point of sale, third-party transactions, fraudulent identifications, drug violations and possession of alcohol by minor violations. These details are usually conducted in collaboration with other law enforcement agencies at events where there is a high concentration of minors and alcohol sales.

Investigators focus on alcohol violations while other law enforcement agencies focus on traffic, crowd control and other essential law enforcement duties.

“The presence of ABC investigators also include an element of prevention, causing potential law breakers to think twice before acting,” Razor said, adding that in 2010, ABC conducted 56 TEDs resulting in 830 citations.

Other events where TEDs are conducted include the Kentucky State Fair, Keeneland race meets, other sporting events, and other fairs and festivals.

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